

## COMMUNICATED.

## Whig Meeting in Westmoreland.

At a meeting of the Whigs and Americans of Westmoreland County, held at Montross, on Monday, the 24th of January, 1859, Mr. JOHN T. RICE was called to the Chair, and Wm. E. BAKER appointed Secretary.

The object of the meeting was briefly stated by John Critcher, esq., who thereupon submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

1st. Resolved, That the Chairman appoint Delegates from each Magisterial District of the County, to represent us in the Convention to assemble in Richmond City, on the 10th of February next.

2nd. Resolved, That the same Delegates be deputed to meet the Delegates from Richmond County, at Warsaw, on the first Monday in March, to nominate a suitable candidate to represent the two counties in the House of Delegates of Virginia.

The Chairman then appointed the following Delegates, viz:

1st District.—Geo. W. Lewis, Chas. C. Robinson, Dr. Thos. R. Ditty, John Critcher, Geo. M. Carter, John P. Thomas, Wm. P. Lampkin, Wm. Wirt, John E. Wilson, and Dr. Jas. B. Mayne.

2nd District.—Sam'l. B. Atwill, Granville White, Wm. R. Polk, Hannibal Chandler, J. Warren Hunt, Maj. John Reed, Presley Saunders, John W. F. Ayars, Col. Wm. H. Sanford, and John M. Harvey.

3rd District.—Gd. Wm. W. Brown, B. P. Crabbs, Robt. H. P. Crabbs, Thos. W. B. Edwards, David P. Powers, John F. Bishop, John Porter, Jas. R. Courtney, Dr. Wm. H. Fairfax, and Sam'l. R. Thiff.

4th District.—J. Bailey, John Steptoe, Dr. John Mayo, sr., John E. Durbin, Henry Beale, Robt. Beale, David B. Taylor, Wm. B. Bailey, Fleet W. Cox, and George F. Brown.

On motion of John Critcher, the Chairman and Secretary were added to the delegation.

The Secretary was directed to forward the proceedings of this meeting to the Richmond Whig, the Alexandria Gazette, and the Fredericksburg News, for publication. After which, the meeting adjourned.

JOHN T. RICE, Chairman.

Wm. E. BAKER, Secretary.

## MARKET.

PRICES OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA, FROM CARS, VESSELS, AND WAGONS, (YESTERDAY).

Flour, Super.	\$5.50	Do \$5.25
Do Extra.	6.25	Do 6.00
Do Family.	7.00	Do 6.75
Wheat, white.	1.40	Do 1.35
Do Red.	1.30	Do 1.25
Corn, white.	0.77	Do 0.75
Do Mixed.	0.75	Do 0.72
Do Yellow.	0.70	Do 0.68
Oats.	0.42	Do 0.40
Rye.	0.75	Do 0.70
Clover Seed, retail.	6.50	Do 6.25
Timothy Seed.	2.00	Do 1.90
Flaxseed.	2.30	Do 2.20
Sunflower.	1.25	Do 1.20
Planters' Lump, retail, delivered on Cars.	4.25	Do 4.00
Do Ground.	5.00	Do 4.75
Onions.	1.00	Do 0.95
Salt, Fish.	1.75	Do 1.60
Do Ground Alum.	1.05	Do 1.00
Better, Roll, 2 1/2.	0.18	Do 0.17
Do Firkin.	0.09	Do 0.08
Bacon, Hog Round.	0.09	Do 0.08
Pork.	6.00	Do 5.75
Lard, in Kegs.	0.10	Do 0.09
White Beans.	1.25	Do 1.20
Black-Eyed Peas.	1.00	Do 0.95
Hay, 100 lbs.	0.60	Do 0.55

FLOUR.—There have been few transactions, and our quotations are unaltered. There is a limited demand on the part of shippers, and the receipts are small. There is a fair city demand, and the stocks on hand are hardly more than sufficient to supply the wants of the city.

WHEAT.—The offerings of Wheat on "Change yesterday were fair. There was less activity noticeable than on Monday, but prices have steadily advanced, and the market closed firm at 140c. 150c. for white, and 130c. 140c. for red of good quality. Sales of parcels of inferior white and red at 10c. 15c. below our outside figures.

CORN.—There is a good demand for Corn, and we note sales on "Change of white at 77c. No yellow offering.

RYE.—In fair request at 75c.

OATS.—No sales reported, and quotations nominal.

SEEDS.—The demand continues fair for Seeds, while we have no change to note in quotations.

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 26.—Flour is firm and higher: Howard street and Ohio \$6. What is higher: white 150c. 155c.; red 140c. Corn closed declining: white 75c. 76c.; yellow 76c. 78c. Provisions about the same. Whiskey is dull and unchanged.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Flour is higher: State \$5.10; Ohio \$5.30; Ohio \$6.10; Southern \$5.75; 75c. Wheat is buoyant: Western mixed 125c. Corn is firm: sales unimportant; mixed 87c. 88c. Pork is firm: sales of new mess at \$15.00; 15.25; prime \$13.50. Lard is higher: closing buoyant at 12c. 12 1/2c. Whiskey is quiet at 27c. Stocks are higher: Virginia \$6.90; Missouri \$6.80.

Philadelphia Cattle Market, Jan. 24.

Beef Cattle.—The offerings this week amounted to about 1,400 head; sales at \$7.00 to \$7.10. These prices are about the same as those of the week before. Cows and calves at \$4.00; \$5.00; dry do. at \$15.00; \$15.25. Sheep.—Offerings about 5,000; sales at \$2.00; \$2.10. Hogs.—Offerings about 1,400 head; sales at \$7.00; \$7.10.

Fredricksburg Market, January 26.

Family	\$5.00	Do \$5.00
City Mills, extra new	6.50	Do 6.00
Do do superfine	3.25	Do 3.00
Wheat, white	1.00	Do 1.00
Wheat, red	0.95	Do 0.95
Corn, old	0.00	Do 0.00
Corn, new	0.00	Do 0.00
Oats	0.37	Do 0.40

Richmond Market, January 26.

Superfine	\$5.75	Do \$6.00
Extra	6.00	Do 6.00
Family	8.00	Do 8.25
Wheat, white	1.35	Do 1.40
Wheat, red	1.25	Do 1.35
Corn	0.80	Do 0.85

New York, January 25.—There is nothing worthy of special notice in the money or stock market, but farmers will be gratified to hear of the upward tendency of breadstuffs. On flour, there was an advance of ten to fifteen cents.

The custom house receipts yesterday were \$117,317; the amount in the Subtreasury \$4,851,665. The Erie Canal returns for 1858 show that a larger value of breadstuffs, even at the reduced prices of the year, was carried on the canal by a half and eight millions of dollars, than in 1857. The totals were, in 1857, \$25,947,231; in 1858, \$36,268,942.

CIGARS.—Just received, a fresh supply of choice brands of CIGARS, among which we name the Alama, Vega, and Estrella. For sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO., cor. of King and Alfred streets.

TAYLOR'S LONDON HOMEOPATHIC CO.—The best preparation of Cocoon, for dyspepsia, constipation, and invalids agrees better with delicate stomachs than any other form of it. Just received, and for sale by

DR. R. H. STABLER, No. 160 King street.

COMPOUND SYRUP PHOSPHATE, prepared by Blair and Wyeth, and highly recommended by Professor Jackson, of the University of Philadelphia, for consumptive patients.

ENGLISH MUSTARD, BEHNDA ARROW ROOT, Tapioca, Sugar Cream, Sugar, Carb Soda, Saleratus, and Yeast Powder, for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO., corner King and Alfred streets.

100 BBL. EASTPORT HERRINGS, for sale by (Jan 12) KINCHOLLO & BRUN.

## BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAIL.

Letter from Clarke County.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

WHITE POST, January 25.—The weather for a few days has been quite cold, and those who were not fortunate enough to fill their ice houses the last cold spell, are quite busy to-day.

We have had a great deal of sickness in our village and neighborhood; in one family the father and mother both died in one week of pneumonia, leaving ten helpless children.

We understand an order was made on Monday last (Court day) to have all the magistrates summoned to the next term to take some action on the Railroad tax. Andrew Hunter spoke for those opposed to the action of the Court, and T. T. Fannery and Province McCormick for sustaining said action. Politics are a little more lively; several gentlemen are spoken of as likely to be candidates for the legislature. Col. Morgan, our present worthy and popular representative, will, I expect, be a candidate for re-election, and will also receive a large vote of all parties. Capt. H. M. Nelson and John Morgan are also spoken of for the same position. The contest for State Senator will be between aspirants from the counties of Warren and Frederick, as Clarke has had a Senator for some years. Angell McDonald of Winchester, is at this time the most prominent man. We have heard him spoken of as a gentleman of intelligence and great reliability of character. For the special benefit of Mash Pot, we would state that R. K. Meade, of this village, killed a hog yesterday which weighed 482 lbs. and on the weight of which an old man 80 years of age lost \$3 in cash, and 4 gallons of Whiskey.

Accident at Manassas Station.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

LANDEX STATION, Jan. 26.—I learn this morning that a man was run over by the freight train at Markham Station, yesterday morning. He was attempting to cross the track when he stumbled and was caught by one of the cars, and his thigh broken in several places. He was brought by here on a gondola, on his way to his sister's, near Smoke Town. It was exceedingly cold, and the poor fellow must have suffered intensely. He was an Irishman, but I did not learn his name.

RETLAW.

CULPEPER ITEMS.—I, Winston, esq., declines being a candidate for the House of Delegates.

We are not authorized to announce James Barbour as a candidate for the State Legislature, but we have seen a letter from him to a friend in this place, in which he expresses himself to that effect. He has been strongly solicited by gentlemen of both parties, in and out of the county, and in a way that he does not feel at liberty to resist.

The Virginia Hotel, after a temporary suspension of business, was formally opened on Monday the 17th instant.

Thos. Hill Jr. has sold the house and lot at Culpeper C. H. recently purchased by him, and now in the occupancy of L. S. Strauss, to A. W. Wrenn, for \$2,000.

A. W. Wrenn has sold his house and lot, his present residence, to Jas. A. Rudasill, of the firm of Rudasill, and Lawrence, for \$2,500.—Blue Ridge Rep.

No Snow.—It is a singular fact that the ground has not been covered with snow, in this region of the country, this winter, except once, and then it was only half an inch deep, evaporating or melting in a few hours. The farmers are beginning to complain of the unpromising appearance of their wheat, in consequence of the absence of snow which protects the early growth of the stalks, and prevents the hardening of the soil by severe frosts. "Seed wheat" will probably be in demand ere long.—Rich. Whig

PAISLEY OCCURRENCE.—As the brothers Thomas and James Walker, two well known and highly respectable citizens of this county, were coming up to town yesterday morning in a buggy, the horses took fright and ran off about four miles from town on the McAdams road, and both gentlemen were thrown.

We learn that James Walker's skull was fractured, and there is some doubt of his recovery. Maj. Walker was also injured, but we have not been able to ascertain to what extent.—Shannon Spectator.

ALMA NAOC. 1859

PIST MONTH.	SUN	SEN	NOON'S PHASES.
JANUARY.	1	15	1

24 Thursday	7	4	57
25 Friday	7	2	48
26 Saturday	7	1	40
27 Sunday	6	59	1
28 Monday	6	58	2
29 Tuesday	6	57	3
30 Wednesday	6	56	4

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA—JANUARY 26.

MEMORANDA.

Sch. Iron Smith, McIntire, for sale, sailed on Friday, 22nd inst.

Sch. S. G. King, Andrews, from this port, arrived at Philadelphia, 22nd inst.

FOR CONGRESS.—We are authorized to announce HENRY SHUCKLEFORD, esq., as a candidate to represent the Seventh Congressional District, in the next Congress. Nov 13—1st.

WE are authorized to announce Dr. J. B. GRAYSON, a candidate to represent the District of Stafford, King George, and Prince William, in the State of Virginia, subject to the ratification of a District Convention. PRINCE WILLIAM, Nov 11—1st.

WE are authorized to announce W. H. BROWN, of Stafford, as a candidate to represent the counties of Stafford and King George, in the next House of Delegates of Virginia. Jan 10—1st.

1000 POUNDS PENNSYLVANIA BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, in large and small bags, just received per Express, and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, Jan 17.

10 BARRILS Patent Cut LOAF SUGAR, 10 Sugar, just received, and for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS, Jan 20.

200 SUGAR CURED HAMS AND SHOULDERS BACON, just received, in store, and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, Family Grocer, Jan 17.

10 HDS. NEW CROP N. O. SUGAR, just received and for sale by J. H. McVEIGH & SON, Prince Street Wharf, Dec 25.

KEROSENE OIL.—This oil gives as bright a light as Gas, and is for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO., corner King and Alfred streets.

25 BBLs. James S. Welch's Premium FAMILY FLOUR, just received and for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS, Jan 17.

1200 LBS. FRESH GOSEIN, GLADERS, RADISHES, and ROLL BUTTER, received, for sale by DAVY & HARMON, Jan 17.

25 BOXES SPERM. AMALAMINE, AND 25 MOULD CANDLES, in store, and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, Jan 17.

18 TUBS very choice Vermont BUTTER, just received, and for sale by J. E. DOUGLASS, Jan 20.

3000 LBS. FEINE TWINE, 3000 LBS. Cotton Cordage, for sale by ROBINSON & PAYNE, Jan 18.

WEST'S FLUID, and 50 per cent Alcohol, for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO., Jan 13.

## CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. Hamlin presented the credentials of Hon. Wm. Pitt Fessenden, re-elected to the Senate from Maine.

A joint resolution from the House extending the time for the organization of a State Government in Kansas, from forty to sixty days, was referred.

On motion of Mr. Brown, Saturday next week was set apart for the consideration of business relating to the District of Columbia.

Mr. Seward called up his resolution to admit Messrs. Lane and McCarty upon the floor of the Senate during the pendency of the Indiana memorial, praying for their recognition as Senators.

Mr. Iverson moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Mason, thought that was the proper disposition to make of it.

Mr. Trumbull spoke at length in favor of admitting the contestants on the floor. He cited the case of Claiborne and Colson, of Tennessee, in which he said that the Senate from Virginia, (Mr. Mason), had voted to rescind a resolution which he had previously voted for, admitting those gentlemen to membership.

Mr. Mason said that he had given the votes spoken of twenty years ago. He did not now recollect the facts in the case. All he could say was, that if he gave the last vote the first must have been wrong. This matter now before the Senate had already been thoroughly examined and reported upon, and discussed; and he thought the proper disposition of the matter was to lay it on the table.

Mr. Seward was in favor of taking time in this matter, and discussing it coolly and calmly. He thought there was plenty of room on the floor of the Senate to extend this courtesy to the contestants.

Mr. Bayard did not see the necessity of admitting gentlemen upon the floor of the Senate until this matter was settled. He thought it would not be quite consistent with the dignity of the Senate after their previous action on the subject.

The resolution was laid on the table—yeas 33, nays 22.

The Pacific Railroad bill was then taken up.

In the House of Representatives Mr. Dodd, from the Committee on the District of Columbia reported adversely on a Senate bill concerning the transfer and ownership of certain church property.

Mr. Bowie, from the same committee reported adversely on a Senate bill for the protection of property in the District of Columbia.

Also, a Senate bill to reimburse the Corporation of Georgetown \$4,000, expended on the bridge over the "Little Falls."

Mr. Wright, from the same committee, reported back a Senate bill providing for the enforcement of mechanics' liens on buildings in the District of Columbia; passed.

Mr. Craig, of Mo., from the Post Office Committee reported a bill providing for the transportation of the mails from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast.

Mr. English offered a substitute.

Mr. Atkins, from the Committee on Post Offices, reported a bill to amend the acts in relation to the Post Office Department.

Mr. Chapman, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely on dividing the State of Pennsylvania into three judicial districts.

Also, a bill to punish forgery of military bounty land warrants, or certificates. [This bill provides that, if any persons shall forge, or cause to be forged, issue, or cause to be issued, any military bounty land warrants, certificates or receipts, &c., they shall be punished with imprisonment for not less than three nor more than ten years.]

After a short discussion, the bill was passed.

Mr. Whitely, from Committee on Agriculture, reported a joint resolution looking to an attempt to have the restrictions on the tobacco trade, in England, France, &c., removed; passed.

"KISS ME QUICKLY"—A new Perfume, distilled from fragrant "Tulips," Bazar's Prangipant, Otto de Rose, and Lubin's Extracts, for the Handkerchief, for sale by

PEEL, STEVENS & CO., cor. of King and Alfred streets.

HARPER'S NEW MONTHLY MAGAZINE for February, containing Washington at Montross, Thackeray's Virginians, The Matchless Editor's Drawer, &c., price 25c. per copy. JAMES ENTWISLE & SON, No. 95, King street.

BARGAINS IN LADIES HOSE.—We are selling off our entire stock of Ladies' Lamb Wool, Cashmere, Merino, and Alpaca Hosiery, both plain and ribbed, at 25 cents a pair, worth 30c. A great reduction made to the trade. W. MEYENBERG, No. 10, King street.

FULL'S SOLUTION CITRATE MAGNESIA, C. S. Spalding, Golden Canary Seed, Saffron, Salt Peas, Aromatic Chloroform, Batchelor's Hair Dye, just received, and for sale by JAMES ENTWISLE, Jr., Apothecary, 94 King street.

10 HDS. PRIME N. O. SUGAR, New Crop 10 half boxes Load do 25 lbs. Refined Sugar, just received and for sale by J. H. McVEIGH & SON, No. 10, King street.

HARTSHORN: Sweet Oil: Furniture Varnish: Cream of Tartar: Sage: Magnesia in small size Cans. Just received and for sale by JAS. ENTWISLE, Jr., Apothecary, 94 King street.

FOR PHILADELPHIA.—The regular packet Sch. ANN PICKELL, Leverton, master, will have dispatch. For freight, apply to the Captain on board, or to STEPHEN SHINN, No. 4, South Wharves.

FOR NEW YORK.—The regular packet Sch. ARCTIC, Hicks, Master. For freight, apply on board, or to S. SHINN, No. 4, South Wharves.

AGNES C. WIRT, and other Books for Children and Youth, American Tract Society edition, 25 cents, for sale by ROBERT BELL, Jan 24.

POTASH.—One cask No. 1 Potash, received and for sale by JOHN LEADBEATER & SON, No. 1, Stabler's Old Stand.

FURTHER supply of CHEWING TOBACCO, some of choice quality, just received by RIDGELY, HAMPTON & CO., Jan 26.

WE ARE just in receipt of a few casks of pure OLD POT. SHERRY, and MADEIRA WINES, which we offer for sale by RIDGELY, HAMPTON & CO., Jan 26.

1st mo 26 J. LEADBEATER & SON, Stabler's Old Stand.

WILLIAMSON'S choice twist TOBACCO, a very fine article, for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO., corner King and Alfred streets.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

THE LECTURE ON TUESDAY NIGHT.—The moral lessons of the Humorous in Poetry, the subject of the fourth lecture of the course before the Alexandria Library Company, by the Rev. E. Yates Reese, were most clearly and beautifully explained on Tuesday night, at the Lyceum Hall, to one of the largest audiences that we have seen assembled there this season, who signified their appreciation and gratification by frequent applause.

Reese commenced his lecture by alluding to the distinction between Wit and Humor, and as an example of this difference, repeated the witty verse on the Robin Hood porter house, in London, in olden times, kept by one Littlejohn, who had painted on his sign:

"You who love ale and beer that's good,  
Come in and drink with Robin Hood,  
If Robin Hood should be from home,  
Come take a drink with Littlejohn."

His successor, not wishing to lose such good poetry, erased Littlejohn, and had inserted in its place, his own name, so that the last line read very humorously.

"Come take a drink with Samuel Johnson."

The lecturer discarded the idea entertained formerly by some, that Wit and Humor are opposed to Religion, and read extracts from some celebrated authors, to prove that the pleasant smile and hearty laugh provoked by genuine wit and humor, were mentally and bodily healthful, and could not be immoral.

He repeated the anecdote of the distinguished Baptist Divine, Robert Hall, who when rebuked on one occasion, for indulging in a vein of genuine humor, by a brother minister, who never laughed himself, but from his pulpit frequently excited the risibilities of his hearers, answered: "the difference, brother, between you and myself is, that you save all your nonsense for the pulpit, while I let mine out in the parlor."

He then cited many instances to prove that Humor was not only not immoral in its tendencies, but that it was closely allied to the sympathetic man, that a Humorist as a general rule possesses the kindest and most tender feelings, as was clearly exemplified in the case of Hood. The lecturer then read several humorous and pathetic extracts from Hood, Holmes, and others, in a capital style. Having occupied more time than is usual in the delivery of his lectures, he excused himself for omitting to notice Saxe, but so delighted was the audience and so urgent in their requests, that the lecturer yielded and concluded the evening's entertainment by reading Gueuepathy and "Lady Ann," the former a humorous, and the latter a pathetic poem, by Saxe. His reading of Lord Tom Noddy, a humorous satire upon the dissipation of a young nobleman, we have not heard equalled, and the reader was several times interrupted by the applause and laughter which it produced.

While all of Dr. Reese's lectures have given much satisfaction, combining the interesting and instructive, yet this last effort, we think has afforded the greatest delight, and has increased the high opinion heretofore entertained of his talents by the citizens of Alexandria. We are pleased to learn that our citizens will have an opportunity of listening to Dr. Reese again, at an early day, as it is his intention to deliver another lecture in this place, for the benefit of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Protestant Church.

ALEXANDRIA.—The Richmond Enquirer, in another article on the proposed Baltimore and Potomac Railroad, says:—Alexandria has aspirations of her own, and the people of the North-west would throw up their caps for the trading port of Columbia, before any city in existence, and we would not ask them to do otherwise. We cannot ask them to build up Richmond, because their interests are not centered here. They might, however, concentrate their strength at Norfolk, since even Baltimore must profit by the growth and prosperity of that city." Why "concentrate their strength" at Norfolk, when it is to their interest to concentrate it at Alexandria? Virginia should have two important sea ports, at least—and these should be Norfolk and Alexandria. We desire to see Norfolk a great place—but we also desire to see Alexandria all that her location, and capabilities entitle her to be.

RAILROAD.—The Washington States says that "the House Committee on the District of Columbia have determined to report a bill giving French's railroad, between Alexandria and Washington, permission to improve and cross the long bridge, thus making up the necessary connection between the Baltimore and Ohio, and Orange and Alexandria railroads, and thus completing the through route to the South and West."

POTOMAC WATER.—The House Committee have been instructed to inquire into the expediency of conferring such additional powers on the Corporations of Washington and Georgetown as may be necessary for the public distribution of the Potomac water.

THE SUBTERRANEAN CABLE which connects the telegraphic instruments in the Capitol with the main line of wires, works well. Some of the famous "Atlantic" submarine cable was yesterday laid across the channels of the Potomac, for the new line from Washington to New Orleans. What a pity we cannot have De Sauty here to preside over it.—Union.

ROBBERY.—The Washington States says that several detective officers from Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York, are in Washington, with the view of recovering a box, containing \$5,000 in silver, which was stolen on the 25th ult., from an express wagon between the Baltimore depot in Washington and the Potomac boat. The box was destined for Augusta, Ga.

HOSPITAL.—Mr. Barnett, of Kentucky, has introduced a bill in